Water-supply Scheme (Sivaganga)

* 717 *Q.*—SRI K. SATTANATHA KARAYALAR (on behalf of SRI V. K RAMASWAMY MUDALIYAR) : Will the Hon. the Minister for Revenue be pleased to state—

(*a*) when the Scheme for Protected Water-supply for the Sivaganga Panchayat was sanctioned;

(*b*) the progress made so far in the execution of this scheme;

(*c*) when the scheme is likely to be completed;

(*d*) the expenditure incurred so far on the scheme; and

(*e*) the amount given by way of loan or grant by the Government and the amount contributed by :

(i) Panchayat; and

(ii) the Public?

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU : (*a*) The Scheme for Protected Water-supply for the Sivaganga Panchayat was sanctioned by the Government in December 1958.

(*b*) Almost all the works have been completed except the construction of R.O.C. elevated service reservoir and the installation of pump-sets.

(*c*) The scheme is expected to be completed before the end of March 1961.

(*d*) & (*e*) The expenditure incurred up to the end of October 1960 on the scheme is nearly Rs. 1·50 lakhs. The scheme is executed entirely out of the loan sanctioned by the Government. So far the Government have sanctioned a loan of Rs. 1·27 lakhs. The scheme is not eligible for any grant. Neither the panchayat nor the public has contributed anything towards the scheme.

Plastic Surgery

* 718 *Q.*—SRI A. A. RASHEED : Will the Hon. the Minister for Revenue be pleased to state whether any doctors have been deputed by the Government for higher studies in foreign countries in Plastic Surgery, Thoracic Surgery and Neuro Surgery in 1958–59 and 1959–60?

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU : No, Sir.

SRI A. A. RASHEED : Sir, since there is a dearth of Specialists in these branches of surgery, will the Government depute at least two doctors every year to specialise in these branches of surgery?

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU : As far as possible and according to the conditions prevailing here and according to requirements of doctors we are deputing doctors for special training in foreign countries.

SRI A. A. RASHEED : May I know Sir, whether there are any Specialists in these surgeries in our State?